Sen. Bartlett Named Legislative Hero

Marc Mahlon, Legislative Aide

State Senate Majority Leader Phil Bartlett (D-Cumberland) has been named a "2009 Legislative Hero" by Consumers for Affordable Health Care (CAHC), a major state-wide organization that advocates for lower costs and access to affordable health care. He was one of only two legislators in the state to receive this distinction.

The primary reason for the award was Bartlett's sponsorship of L.D. 1444, "An Act to Protect Consumers and Small Business Owners from Rising Health Care Costs," which brought a broad coalition of businesses, labor unions, and consumers to the table to improve transparency in the health care system and to advance the discussion regarding how consumers, small business owners, and large employers pay for health care in Maine.

CAHC noted that this bill opened the door for payment reform, and that Bartlett deserves further credit for his years of work to contain and lower health care costs. For more information on CAHC, visit www.mainecahc.org.

Ground Broken For New Elementary School



A large crowd turned out for the groundbreaking ceremony of the highly anticipated new elementary school. Pictured (I to r) are White Rock teacher Betsy Fox, White Rock students Madeline Fadrigon and Asa Wareham, and local officials: Burleigh Loveitt, Jim Hager, Dennis Libby, Rep. Jane Knapp, Brenda Caldwell, Supt. Ted Sharp, Shonn Moulton and Norm Justice.

Bill Ambrose

n a cold and blustery autumn afternoon, the School Department ceremoniously broke ground for the new elementary school. The well-attended event took place on Oct. 16 at the Stevens Farm

site, located off Sebago Lake Road (Route 237) approximately 1/4-mile north of the Huston Road intersection.

Superintendent of Gorham Schools Ted Sharp welcomed everyone to the ceremony. He introduced the local and state elected officials present, including State Representative Jane Knapp, who is also a member of the Building Committee, and Town Council members Brenda Caldwell, Burleigh Loveitt,

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State Ballot Lengthy Don't Forget to Vote Sue Dunn

Whith an unusually high number of Citizen Initiative questions at center stage for the upcoming election, this year's State ballot is lengthy and includes many controversial questions. Of the seven questions, the referendum ballot consists of four Citizen Initiatives, one People's Veto, one Bond Issue and one Constitutional Amendment. Election

Constitutional Amendment. Election Day is Tuesday Nov. 3.

Locally, there are three candidates running for two vacancies on Town Council. Candidates include: Brenda Caldwell (incumbent), Matthew Mattingly and Shonn Moulton (incumbent). Two incumbent candidates, James Hagar and Rose Marie South, are running for the two open positions on

the School Committee. The local election is a separate ballot from the State referendum ballot.

Often when voters get to the polls, there is confusion regarding the way in which the questions are written. In order to have more than five minutes to contemplate your vote, please refer to the sample ballot printed below. These are the actual questions that will appear on the Nov. 3 Referendum Ballot.

If you are still unsure of how to vote, check out the "Citizen's Guide to this Referendum Election." The Guide was created by the Division of Elections, in conjunction with the Attorney General, the State Treasurer and the Office of Fiscal and Program

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Review. Included is a list of the referendum questions, the legislation each question represents, a summary of the intent and content of the legislation, an explanation of the significance of a "yes" or "no" vote, an analysis of the debt service on the bond issue, and an estimate of the fiscal impact of each referendum question on state revenues, appropriations and allocations

To access this guide, log on to the Maine.gov/sos Web site and find the listing of bureau information on the left side of the page, then click on Upcoming Elections (second option down). On this page you will find the Citizens Guide.

State of Maine Ballot

Question 1: People's Veto

Do you want to reject the new law that lets same-sex couples marry and allows individuals and religious groups to refuse to perform these marriages?

Question 2: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to cut the rate of the municipal excise tax by an average of 55% on motor vehicles less than six years old and exempt hybrid and other alternative-energy and highly fuel-efficient motor vehicles from sales tax and three years of excise tax?

Question 3: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to repeal the 2007 law on

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Spooky Sites

BEWARE! Gorham residents should prepare for ghost, goblins and trick-or-treaters to take over the town on Halloween.

New Videos

Check out the latest GoCAT videos on YouTube.

New School Ground Breaking and the **Local Candidate Debate**.

Videos can be seen at www.youtube.com/gorhamtimes.

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Around Town

School Street Diner will be opening in the space that was previously Tree House Café.

Dog licenses for 2010 are available at the Town Clerk's office. Dogs must be licensed at age 6 months. Licenses expire every year on December 31. Please license your dog before February 1 to avoid a late fee. A current Maine Rabies Certificate and a certificate of neutering, if applicable, are required when licensing a dog. Register online at www.gorhamme.org and click on the green button near the bottom of the home page that says "online dog licensing."





TOWN OF GORHAM REGISTRAR November Election November 3, 2009

Pursuant to MRSA, Title 21-A, s101, you are hereby notified that the Registrar of the Town of Gorham, Maine will hold office hours between the hours of 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Wednesday October 28, 2009 and between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Thursday October 29, 2009, 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Friday October 30, 2009 and 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Monday November 2, 2009 for the purposes of taking new voter registrations and corrections to the voter list.

Voting places include:

Ward 1: Middle School Weeks Road Ward 2: Shaw Gym, Municipal Center

letters to the Editor

Letters to the editor must be signed with a first and last name, typed or e-mailed and include a phone number. Submissions should be original to the Gorham Times and less than 300 words. Letters are solely the opinion of the writer and not of the Gorham Times. They are published at the discretion of the Gorham Times and are subject

Dear Gorham Times,

The Gorham School Department would like to thank the following people for their participation in the seasonal flu clinics held October 5-6 in our schools:

- Nick McKenney-Lead Volunteer
- Gorham Health Council Volunteers
- Parent Volunteers from White Rock, Village, Narragansett, Gorham Middle School, and Gorham High School
- Chief Lefebvre and rescue personnel
- Gorham Times for the press releases regarding the Flu and clinics

We appreciate everyone's time and effort to help our clinics run smoothly.

A make-up seasonal flu clinic will be offered for students who were delayed in getting their shots or were absent when the clinics were held for the Flumist nasal spray. Parents of children who have not been vaccinated for seasonal flu are encouraged to contact their physician or attend a public health clinic. Please let your school nurse know if you are not able to find a resource and we will try to include you in our make-up clinic.

Teresa Merrill

NEWS FROM AUGUSTA



An Act to Increase Access to Nutrition Information

Rep. Linda Sanborn

everal weeks ago I was traveling to California for a conference on health care reform sponsored by the National Academy for State Health Policy. Passing through JFK in New York I was reminded of LD 1259, An Act to Increase Access to Nutrition Information, enacted in Maine's last legislative session. This bill was modeled after a similar law in New York City.

LD 1259 requires chain restaurants (chain being 20 or more restaurants, with at least 1 in Maine) to post calorie information on menus, menu boards and food display labels for items they regularly sell.

Scouting for food at JFK, I was pleasantly surprised by how well this policy worked to dissuade me from choosing a high calorie (1060 plus!) sandwich at one of the fast food restaurants. Of course, common sense told me that this sandwich was not healthy, but to see the calorie count at the time I was making a decision as to what to purchase, the bill did just what it was intended to—encourage a healthier choice.

Obesity cuts across all categories of race, ethnicity, and income and has far reaching consequences on the public health system and our state's economy. In Maine more than 61% of adults, 25% or middle and high school students, and 33% of kindergartners are overweight or obese. Based upon 2004 data for Maine, health care costs associated with obesity are estimated at \$357 million per year. LD 1259 was proposed as part of a multipronged approach to fight obesity by giving Mainers the information they need to make informed choices and take personal responsibility for their health.

A study published in the May issue of the American Journal of Public Health shows that less than 1% of consumers go out of their way to look for nutrition information in chain restaurants, despite the information being provided on posters, pamphlets, tray liners, or on websites. In contrast, 82% of New York City residents say that menu labeling has affected their food choices when dining out.

Contrary to popular opinion, it is not always obvious what the healthier choice might be. I recall opting for a chicken salad sandwich at one chain, only to find out that the roast beef sandwich would have been one third the fat and calories.

Today, the average American spends almost half of his/her food budget in restaurants. Although many are eating healthier at home, we need support when eating out where one can easily eat a day's allotment of calories in a single meal.

LD 1259 makes it easy for restaurants to comply by allowing them until February 1, 2011 to phase-in menu labeling. Most already have the nutrition information on their menus in other localities. For those restaurants that do not have the nutrition information, nutrition analysis software is available for as little as \$20.

Certainly there is much more to good nutrition and weight control than counting calories. But I believe that consumers are more likely to make better choices with menu labeling than without. Health care reform also requires consumers to be informed and take personal responsibility for our own health.

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DOWN MEMORY LANE

Halloween on South Street Beverly Mann-Lessard

very October when I buy my small bags of candy (that I always end ■up finishing), I think back on the Trick or Treating days of my youth. I didn't realize it at the time, but living at 87 South Street meant growing up in the middle of Halloween Mecca.

My mother established the same ground rules every year so that we wouldn't be out all hours of the night collecting candy from one end of South Street to the other, and all the neighborhoods in between. "You can go down as far as the library and up and down Lincoln Street and then straight home," my mother would explain. "Or else," I would whisper on my way out the door. My mother never needed to say the words, they were just understood.

We were usually home by 8 p.m. just in time to watch my mother frantically searching the cupboards and refrigerator for more treats. No matter how much candy my mother bought, the number of ghosts, cowboys and Raggedy Ann dolls that invaded our house each Halloween always exceeded the candy supply. We'd give away anything we could find in the house apples, crackers, pennies and unwanted candy from our own Halloween bags. At 9 p.m. sharp my mother would turn off the outside lights and we would squirrel away our treats as if they had to get us through a long winter, which of course, they never did.

I remember the year it was my turn to wear the "witch costume." It was so old that even though we no longer had the cat that peed in the hat, the smell still lingered. The year I got to be the witch, I asked my mother what I should wear underneath the black dress. "Nothing," she replied, forgetting how literal children could be. So I went Trick or Treating "commando" that year, never giving the slightest attention to the cool draftiness of the evening. I remember the Keddy's house across the street always gave out big chocolate bars, which was like winning the lottery to us. Mrs. Kimball, who lived next door, gave out hot cookies straight from the oven.

By the time we got into high school there was a different Halloween treat waiting for us - the Dave Astor Show. Gorham High School always seemed to be invited on to his show every Halloween. We'd arrive in costume and pantomime records, dance and have a grand old time. Here I am forty years later, still humming tunes to all those great songs and still eating leftover Halloween candy that I undoubtedly will have after the ten kids on my street come knocking at my door. Happy Halloween!



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SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

School Committee Reviews GEF Grants Stacy Sallinen

he School Committee met Oct. 14 for their monthly meeting. Three people spoke during the public comment portion of the agenda.

Janet Williams provided an update on the Gorham Educational Foundation (GEF). GEF received 501(c)(3) certification from the IRS and has since given 21 grants totaling more than \$15,000 to the Gorham public school system. The grants have funded many programs, including elementary literacy programs to introduce students to writing/authoring books, a middle school community garden, after-school

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Edward **Jones** MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING Harvest Lunch. At the high school, GEF grants helped purchase technology for the humanities program, pay for focus groups to address bias, diversity and acceptance, create a contemporary literature class room, purchase GPS equipment for the Earth and Science program and purchase books for teaching in the AP History course. Both the high school and middle school music departments received software and instruments. Recently GEF awarded a grant to the GHS Science Department for equipment to build living machines.

Williams announced a change in the grant application process. Grants will now be awarded twice a year. One will be awarded the first week of December; the second in the spring. Teachers, staff and interested community members can now apply for a grant of up to \$1,200. Mini-grants of \$250 are also available at any time during the year for immediate classroom needs. FMI, www.gorhamef.org. GEF will hold a workshop on Nov. 2, 3:30 p.m. at Narragansett School for teachers, staff and other interested parties who want to learn how to write a GEF grant.

Maureen Terry, a GEF Board member, reminded the Committee of the Spelling Bee, a fundraising event for GEF. Each participating team with 3 participants paid a \$150 application

Kate Rotroff, Director of Adult Education, informed the committee that she is looking for people to volunteer for the English Speakers of Other Languages Program (ESOL). She needs at least 4 volunteers who have 3-4 hours per week to provide tutoring to a student. Limited training is provided. She is also looking for people to volunteer in conversation groups on Monday nights. FMI please call Gorham Adult

Education at (207) 222-1095.

Chairman Dennis Libby acknowledged Jim Hager and Marie South for their service to the School Committee. Both members have served for the last nine years and are seeking re-election to a fourth term.

Superintendent Ted Sharp reported on the following:

- State revenue projections for September are down by \$28 million and the Biennium (FY11 and FY12) budget has a \$200 million deficit in projected revenue. Sharp read from an informational letter from Commissioner Sue Gendron, saying that "the budget reduction targets for FY10 is \$38 million (figure rounded) and for FY11 is \$36 million. Reduction targets are above and beyond any reductions the legislature may make as they work to identify \$30 million is savings for FY11 as called for when the biennium budget was created." He continued to say that "there will be at least one, and most likely two, curtailments of General Purpose Aid for every school district in Maine."The district is instituting a freeze on all spending unless it's "essential and obligatory." Sharp said in the six years he's been in Gorham, there have been two or three freezes. "The duration and severity will depend on the financial issues of Maine. This will not compromise the quality of education in Gorham. We're comfortable in dealing with the issue but it's not what we were hoping for."
- An update on H1N1 can be found on the school Web site. He encouraged all adults and parents responsible for a child to read the information to make an informed decision.
- · Sharp thanked Chief Shephard, Chief Lefebvre and the EMTs who helped with the recent Flu Clinic.
- Information will be presented to the School Committee at the Oct. 28 meeting about ballot questions regarding excise tax and Tabor in hopes that the Committee will take a stance on the questions.
- Students who complete electrical course at WRVC can get 3 college credits at community colleges in Maine.
- Sharp provided an update on the committee for Targeted Pre K and Extended K. Work still needs to be done but hopefully a final report will be made to the School Committee in December. He spoke briefly about the rationale. If approved, Extended K would be implemented in the fall of 2011 and Pre K probably in the fall of
- The contract for the new elementary school was signed in the amount of \$15,198,984 with an anticipated completion date of July 22, 2011. Many of the subcontractors are Maine companies. The State is paying over 90% of the cost of the new school.
- An Exploratory Committee on GHS Renovation and Expansion will meet in late October. The school is in excel-

lent condition but may not be large enough. District student enrollment is projected to go over 2700 students in the next 10 years. He also said it is highly unlikely the state will pick up any cost associated with the possible expansion and the citizens of Gorham may be asked to support the project. He cautioned that the committee is in the very early stages and not to expect a decision in the immediate future.

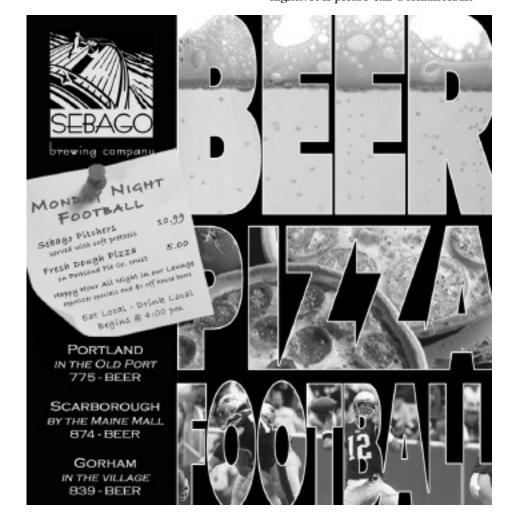
Dennis Crowe, Director of Technology, provided on overview of the technology department:

- Standards were loaded into Infinite Campus. Parent and student Portal accounts will be created and a letter regarding account information will be mailed home.
- · Students at the high school and middle school will receive a traditional report card along with a Standards Based Report Card. Elementary report cards will still look the same as last year.
- All schools have gone wireless.
- The district web page will get a new, simplified look. Each school and department will be responsible for updating its own information. An online school activities calendar will be available.
- · School networks are now connected by fiber cable. Each school is required to have land-line for a phone, alarm and elevator.
- White Rock, Village and Middle Schools were awarded \$60,000 for the Rural Utility Service Grant for Distance Learning and Telemedicine to be used for online courses or field
- ARRA Stimulus Funds were used to purchase 50 LCD projectors, additional printers, cables and equipment for laptops, and provide more customized areas to use specific software for math and reading programs.

The School Committee meets on the second Wednesday of the month in **Town Council Chambers**

Plan Ahead to Pay Your Taxes

The Town of Gorham property taxes are due Thursday, Nov. 12. If you plan on paying in person, please note that the Municipal Offices will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day on Wednesday, Nov. 11.



CHIEF SHEPARD REPORTS



Grand Jury Indictments

The October
Grand Jury
returned the following indictments:
John Douglas, 45, of

Gorham was indicted for OUI, Driving to Endanger and Violating License restrictions by the Gorham PD.

Paul Hooper, 28, of Gorham was indicted on three counts of Burglary, Theft, Class C, Criminal Mischief and two counts of Theft, Class E on charges brought by the Cape Elizabeth and

Westbrook PDs.

Kimberly Jackson, 35, of Standish was indicted for Burglary, Theft and OUI by the Gorham PD.

Brandon Patten, 19, of Gorham was indicted on three counts of reckless conduct with a weapon, aggravated criminal mischief and leaving the scene of an accident by the Gorham PD.

Police have strong suspects in two burglaries that took place in the South Gorham area.



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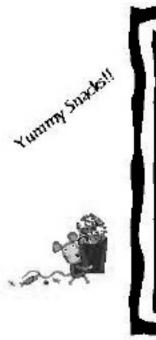
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GARDENING PLEASURES

Put Your Bed to Bed For The Winter

Linda Faatz

ctober is the month to clean up your garden. Pull up your annuals, cut down your perennials and compost them. Leave shrub pruning until spring. If your plants have mildew or blight, throw them away in a trash bag. With these diseased plants be sure to clean up all debris from these plants that is on the ground. Those soil areas around the plants are the breeding ground for more problems next year.

Most leaves including maple and birch decompose very quickly so use them when you can to enhance the soil and lawn. Grind them as small as you can and leave them on your lawn. This requires that you be diligent with regular cleaning up. Leaving it until all the leaves have fallen will be too hard to mow. Mow in Circles until you get a pile the size you can get a mower through. Keep running the mower through the leaves until they are ground fine. Then with your mower

blow these pieces around the lawn. This is not recommended for oak leaves however as they decompose too slowly. Deposit leaves around blueberry plants.

Find a special place for JUST decomposable leaves. Grind them if you can. Pile them high, wait two years and you will have the MOST WONDERFUL compost to put back in your garden. No need to turn them.

Till your garden as little as possible. Tilling disrupts the microorganisms in the soil and turns up the weed seeds that are just waiting for sunlight. Instead spread ground leaves on your vegetable garden. Next spring dig through them and plant in the soil. In two years they will be a beautiful part of the soil and nurture the biggest worms you have ever seen. Love those worms for the garden, the more the better

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Happy Dubbers

Reflections of Summer

Roger and Peggy Marchand, Guest Columnists

Today it was a bull moose...we think. We both froze and listened hard. Our kayaks drifted silently while we tried to analyze a throaty sound we'd never heard before. Deep in the woods banking the Presumpscot River on the North Gorham side, above Babbs Bridge, but below Dundee Park, we heard a rough, raspy sound that rumbled into a long, loud and plaintive bellow. It echoed, organic and strong, and clearly made by an animal. If we'd been on our feet, we would have run!

Sometimes it's quieter out on the river. Low and stable, we can glide near floating logs dotted with three or four, and once, eight, snoozing turtles.

We are dubbers; this is our first kayaking season. Glazed by incessant rain, our new red kayaks waited, right along with us, for sunshine and summer. Finally, in July, in a rare burst of sunshine, we lifted our forty-pounders up over our heads and fastened them tight to our equally new carrier. We were so nervous about each step of the loading process, remembering the slots for the straps, the black rubber covers for the metal buckles, the racheting, the balancing, that we took a series of photos to keep in the car so we'd get it right. We headed up 237 to Shaw Park for our first launch, grinning the whole way.

What do we love about our new water sport? Everything...but especially Shaw Park. The park, a fairly recent gift to the town of Gorham from the Shaw Brothers, really should be called a gem. Amenities include a ball field, swings, access to the new trail for hiking and biking, a sandy beach for swimming for both people and their dogs, and canoe rentals in season (\$5 for 2 hours!). The park also includes a porta-potty discretely tucked off to the side. Access to the water is convenient. The park road leads to a huge parking lot and a wide

gravel path
heads right down
to the river. The put-in spot is
separate from the swimming beach and
has a firm, almost sandy bottom, so no
worries about stepping into deep
squishy mud as we launch. It's so easy!
We can be off on an adventure, paddling on the Presumpscot, just minutes
after setting out from the village.

And it is an adventure. The river seems different each day, changed by ephemeral conditions such as the sunlight, the clouds and the wind, but also altered by practical matters such as increased water volume discharged from Sebago by Sappi Industries. The flow of the river, with its strong current, creates new twists and turns; small coves hide behind fallen logs, islands are formed, bays open up, magenta pond lilies dot the surface, fish jump, and often the blue heron watches as we slide by. Some days the water is calm and flat and the world appears clear and perfectly symmetrical, half right side up and half reversed; real and refection. Some days we feel like Lewis and Clark, eager and curious, studying maps and then setting out to explore. The day we searched, poking our kayaks into tall grasses and curving bends, and finally discovered just where the Pleasant River, running downstream from Windham, flows into the Presumpscot, felt like a real expedition!

Maybe it's how the river scenery fills the eye, maybe it's the sound of the water coupled with the breeze, perhaps it's the Zen timelessness of floating, propelled by easy strokes of our paddles, but we love being on the water and the sense of freedom our little red kayaks and the Presumpscot provide. We are happy dubbers.



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Gorham Kindergartners Receive New Books

Gorham Times Staff



The children in Mrs. Baker's afternoon kindergarten class display their new book bags given out by Steve Collomy of FairPoint Communications.

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Donna Pastore Honored with Golden Apple Award

Leslie Dupuis



GHS teacher Donna Pastore celebrates her Golden Apple Award with Les Otten (left) and Dave Winsor (right) of the local radio station Wolf 99.9.

MS special education teacher,
Donna Pastore, was recently presented with a Nassau Broadcasting
Golden Apple Award recognizing excellence in teaching. The awards are given to those "individuals dedicated to the intellectual growth and emotional growth of Maine's children and young adults." Teachers given these awards become lifetime members of the Golden Apple Academy of Educators, which conceives, develops and supports programs for teachers to make them more effective in the classroom.

Nassau Broadcasting hosted the 10 Maine winners of the 2008/2009 Golden Apple Awards at a luncheon on August 19 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Auburn. Les Otten, former American Ski Company Principal and minority Boston Red Sox Owner, was the guest speaker. He thanked all of the winners for their commitment to education. Donna also received a gift certificate to a local restaurant, as well as a future limo ride to and from school by Lilley's Limousines of Scarborough.

First Flight

Photo credit Laure McKeen

Ms. Davis, a student teacher in Mrs. McKeen's first grade class at Narragansett School, released a Monarch butterfly as students looked on. The students have been studying the life cycle of a butterfly as they observed a caterpillar turn into a chrysalis and then emerge as a beautiful butterfly. Each year many classrooms collect caterpillars and watch the amazing transformation.

Climbing to the Top



Photo credit Martha T. Har

White Rock students enjoy the new playground that was recently installed at their school. Depending on the future use of the building, once the new school is built, the playground equipment may be moved to a different location such as the new school.

Harvest Art



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White Rock students (I to r) Daniel Bachner, Peter Richards and Celia Begonia pose in front of the wall of Harvest Lunch posters on display at their school. All first and second grade students participated in a contest by designing a poster that related to Harvest Lunch. Celia Begonia was the second-grade winner.



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Shakespeare in Gorham Twelfth Night at GHS

Eileen Avery, GHS Teacher

'he Gorham High School Drama program brings William Shakespeare's lively, cross-dressing, comedic masterpiece, Twelfth Night, to the stage. Most beloved of Shakespeare's romantic comedies, Twelfth Night was originally written in 1601 to be performed during Christmas revels. The riotous plot features twins separated by shipwreck, mistaken identities, love triangles, drunken swordfights and much bawdy humor. As Duke Orsino says "If music be the food of love, play on," This Gorham production features talented high school musicians performing vocal and instrumental interludes written during the Renaissance era called

Twelfth Night features Gorham High School Seniors Jason Badeau, Aaron

Bartlett, Jared Chesley, Kate Gurney, Molly Lortie, Stephanie Morin, and Alyssa Rojecki. Junior cast members include Emma Alden, Cameron Cupps, Ian Hawkes, Sarah Kennedy, Alena Kiel, Raisa Luck, Clara Dawn Piazzola and Morgan Stickney. Rounding out the cast are Sophomores Nathaniel Dombek, Lincoln Gray, Quincy Owens, Clara Stickney, Ellyn Touchette and Freshmen Cole Cross, Stefanie Farrington, Kristin Nelson, Forrest Plaisted, Merrill Porterfield and Molly Stewart.

Performances are Nov. 6-14 at GHS in the McCormack Performing Arts Center, Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. There will be one Sunday Matinee on Nov, 8 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$6 for General Admission and \$4 for students and seniors. Tickets available at the door.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FROM PAGE 1

and Shonn Moulton. Caldwell serves on the Building Committee as well. Members of the School Committee were also in attendance.

In his opening remarks, Sharp recounted the decade-long efforts to bring the school project along and credited the diligence of many school employees and community members.

Building Committee Chairman Jim Hager described the long process that his committee endured to ensure the success of the project. He expressed his hope that the new school building will inspire future generations of Gorham schoolchildren and residents.

The official symbolic turning of the earth followed, complete with a set of gold-colored shovels provided for the occasion. In addition to the officials participating in the effort, two representative elementary students and their teacher were also included. (See photo) After the official groundbreaking, members of the audience were invited to turn some earth. Young and old availed themselves of this opportunity.

In his closing remarks, School Committee Chairman Dennis Libby thanked those who were instrumental in bringing about the project's success, and singled out the Stevens family for selling the property to the town. He went on to praise the Gorham community's support for and dedication to education.

The ceremony concluded with a musical selection performed by K-2 students from Narragansett School conducted by Ms. Jennifer Solari. The entire event may be viewed on Gorham Access Cable Television on channel three.

The speakers at the groundbreaking referred to the present cost of the project being significantly lower than the original estimates. This was ascribed to the current economic situation in which we find ourselves. The previous estimated total cost, \$25,833,908, has been reduced to \$20,051,684, making for a savings of \$5,782,224

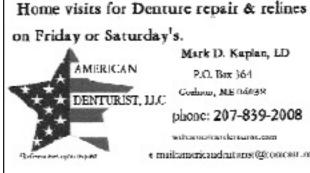
The School Department has entered into a contract with the building firm Davis & Hanscom of Steep Falls in the amount of \$15,198,954. This much-reduced cost enabled the School Department to add 12 alternate options to the total, making for a more complete and durable building.

In addition to the amount of the construction contract with Davis & Hanscom, the project will generate other expenses. These expenses range from the purchase price of the land to architect and engineer's fees to equipping the new school with furniture and technology.

The new school will be built on 26 acres of rolling farm fields. It will be accessed by a new public road intersecting with Sebago Lake Road just below Stevens Road. The as-yet unnamed school will enable Gorham to have three K-5 elementary schools. It will relieve overcrowding in the three present schools and provide students with a six-year uninterrupted tenure in one elementary school.

The School Department's Web site, www.gorhamschool.org contains a regularly updated section on the new elementary school project as well as a concise narrative history of the entire venture.





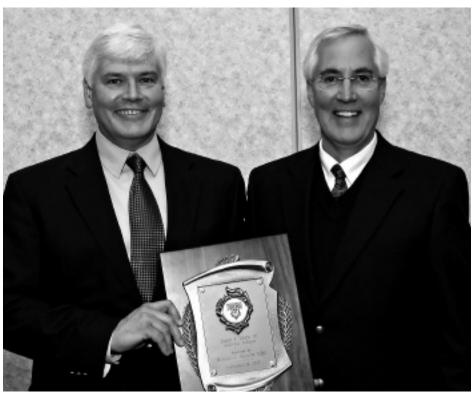


sports Shown running during a practice earlier this season, the

boys' and girls' GHS cross country teams are getting ready for the Western Maine Class A championship race Oct. 31 at the Twin Brook Recreation Area in Cumberland. For the regular season, the boys finished with a record of 12-4 while the girls finished at 13-4, and both teams were ranked third in the state

coaches' poll. The state cross country championship race takes place Nov. 7, also at the Twin Brook Recreation Area.

USM Awards Two from Gorham





During the University of Southern Maine 24th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet on Sept. 26, USM presented special departmental awards to a current and past Gorham resident. The 2009 Richard A. "Doc" Costello Special Achievement Award was given to current Gorham resident Patrick O'Shea in recognition of his long-time distinguished service as a teacher, coach and official. The award is given in honor of Richard Costello, a former USM Athletic Director who helped grow the USM program and was also coach of men's and women's basketball; men's soccer, golf; and baseball. O'Shea is a USM graduate (1969) and has had a long and distinguished career as a teacher, coach and official while demonstrating a commitment

to student-athletes. The David Drew Service Award was bestowed upon former Gorham resident Dr. Ronald Seekins, a DDS who currently practices in Gorham. Seekins received his award for his dedicated service at USM as the dentist for 23 teams and 500+ student-athletes every year since 2001. The David Drew Award is named after the long-time coach, instructor, athletic trainer and equipment manager. O'Shea is pictured above in the photo on the right addressing the Hall of Fame audience just after receiving his award. In the photo on the left, Seekins (left) is pictured receiving the award from Matt Gerken, Head Athletic Trainer at USM.

in the Zone

Youth Soccer Sportsmanship Awards: 13 Gorham Youth Soccer Association players earned sportsmanship awards during the Patriot Challenge Tournament in Gray during Columbus Day weekend: Caitlin Chasse and Brooke Woodbury (U9 Girls); Lucas **Roop** and **Jon Meyers** (U10 Boys); Caroline Smith and Jenna Cowan (U11 Girls); Cady Houghton and Emily Duff (U12 Girls); Erik Andreasen and Aidan Whitis (U12 Boys); Doug Beahm (U13 Boys); and Abbie La Porte and Olivia Curtis (U14 Girls).

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Basketball Shooting Clinic: The USM womens' basketball team will conduct its annual Husky Shooting Clinic for Girls Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Costello Sports Complex on the Gorham campus. For girls in grades 3-10, the clinic offers instruction on proper shooting techniques under the direction of USM head coach Gary Fifield, the USM staff, and players. The fee is \$35 in advance or \$45 the day of the clinic. FMI, contact USM assistant coach Nicholas DiOrio at 780-5179 or ndiorio@usm.maine.edu.

GHS Weekend Varsity Sports Line-Up

Saturday, October 31

10:00 a.m. - Girls' Cross Country Western Maine Class A Regional Meet at Twin Brook Recreation Area, Cumberland 11:45 a.m. - Boys' Cross Country

Western Maine Class A Regional Meet at Twin Brook Recreation Area, Cumberland

Saturday, November 7

Time: TBD — Girls' Cross Country State Meet at Twin Brook Recreation Area, Cumberland Time: TBD – Boys' Cross Country State Meet at Twin Brook Recreation Area, Cumberland

All games subject to change. For up-to-date schedules and details of all GHS sports, visit www.digitalsports.com

GHS Fall Sports Update Jeff Pike

t press time, most of the GHS fall sports teams had wrapped up their seasons, but a few were still competing for possible state titles. Here's a rundown of some of the highlights from the end of the regular season:

Boys' Cross Country: The team finished the regular season 12-4 with a third-place ranking in the statewide coaches' poll. The team suffered just two direct losses in the regular season in addition to two losses incurred during a three-team meet when top runners were held out just prior to the Belfast Festival of Champions Race, a major competition the team decided to focus on. Junior Jeremy Earl has been the team's #1 runner and junior Logan Marshall has been #2 most of the year while senior Adam Hawkes has consistent-

ly been the team's #3 runner.

Girls' Cross Country: The team finished the regular season 13-4 with a third-place ranking in the statewide coaches' poll. The team lost 27-28 to Cheverus during the first meet of the year but did not lose another regular-season meet except when holding out its top runners in a four-team race just before the Belfast Festival of Champions Race. A major highlight was beating defending state champion Scarborough at the last regular-season meet. Senior Rachel Wilkinson and junior Mia Rapolla have been the top two finishers, switching back-and-forth throughout the year, with senior Kelsey Rex coming in consistently as the #3 runner.

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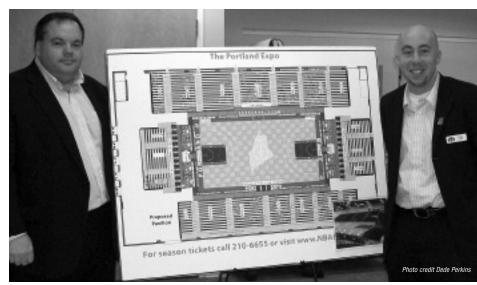


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GCBE Hosts Red Claws' Jon Jennings



Maine Red Claws President and General Manager Jon Jennings (left) and Eric Little, a team Account Executive, presented an update on the team to the Gorham Business & Civic Exchange on Oct. 20. The team has been successfully selling season tickets and corporate sponsorships and will feature "Gorham Night" during the team's January 8 home game at the Portland Expo vs. Springfield, MA. The Gorham Middle School band will play the National Anthem at the game and the goal is to fill the facility with Gorham residents. The Gorham Business & Civic Exchange, as well as the Gorham Recreational Department and Gorham Middle School, will soon announce ticket sales for Gorham Night. Look for an article announcing an event in the next *Gorham Times*. Jennings and Little are shown above with a diagram of the new seating plan at the Portland Expo. The Red Claws have also installed a new parquet basketball floor similar to the one the Celtics play on at the TD Garden in Boston.



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Girls' Soccer: Senior Co-captains Lindsay Wilson and Kristi Zarrilli both finished their four-year regular season varsity careers on a high note. Wilson scored five times in back-to-back games vs. South Portland on October 14 (3 goals) and Marshwood on October 16 (two goals). In the team's last regular-season home game on October 20 vs. Massabesic, Zarrilli scored three goals. The team's defense, anchored by sophomore goalkeeper Sarah Perkins, and led by senior defender Abbie Adkison as well junior Shelbi Guimond and sophomores Sierra Peters and Allie Lurvey, shutout its last five opponents. The Rams headed into the Western Maine Class A playoffs seeded fourth with a final regular-season record of 11-2-1, nd were scheduled to

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play Cheverus on Nov. 27.

Boys' Soccer: Senior goalkeeper Tim Hardy and the defense recorded sevenstraight shutouts before giving up a lone goal in the final game of the season. The team had eight shutouts on the season with senior defenders Greg Gagne and Eric Plourde playing key roles along with juniors Seth Wing and Levi Lurvey. Junior Kevin Lubelcyzk scored three goals and had three assists in the team's final game, a 10-1 win October 20 over Massabesic. The team finished the regular season with a 13-1 record and ranked second in Western Maine Class A.

Field Hockey: The team lost a heartbreaker, 1-0, vs. Cheverus October 21 in the Western Maine Class A semifinals. The game came down to the final seconds as Gorham had a penalty corner opportunity but could not score. The loss came after an October 16 quarterfinal win over Kennebunk in which senior Hannah Prince scored the lone goal, a feat that earned her Player of the Week honors from the Portland Press Herald. Other late-season highlights included senior Kat Whitehead scoring three times vs. Portland October 8 as the Rams won, 6-0. The team finished the regular season with a 12-2 record and ranked third in Western Maine Class A.

Football: Senior running back Jon Day continued his torrid pace piling up rushing yards. In four games vs. Westbrook, Scarborough, Portland and South Portland, he amassed 851 yards while scoring 13 touchdowns. Opening up holes for Day on the offensive line during this stretch have been seniors Cody Stover, Adam Hawkes, John Phinney, Craig

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U13 Boys Win Patriot Challenge



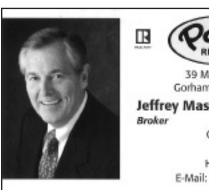
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The Gorham Youth Soccer Association (GYSA) U13 boys' team won the Patriot Challenge Tournament held in Gray during Columbus Day weekend. The team won all four of its games, outscoring its opponents 17-1 with 11 different players scoring throughout the weekend. In their final game, a 3-0- win over Gray, Cole Houghton scored twice and Matt Hooker scored once while Cody Elliot had two assists and Ben Peterson earned a shutout as goalkeeper. Playing for the team and pictured at left, front row (I to r): Daniel Rodgers and David Rodgers. Second row: Doug Beahm, Andrew Schmidt, Ben Peterson, Nate Roberts, Matt Bennett and Cody Elliott. Third row: Dylan Truong, Jordan Ward, Jackson Taylor, Cole Houghton, Timmer Sposato and Matt Hooker. Back row: Coaches Jeff Elliott and Eric Peterson. Missing from the photo are Morgan Hager-Perry and Alex Williamson.







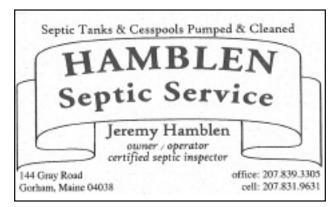


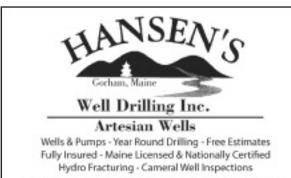






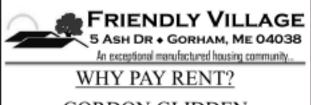












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Bruce Roullard co-chair of the auction and host the evening said, "We were pleased to have this opportunity to show so many community members the near-completion of the Odd Fellows Building renovation efforts." Over the course of the evening nearly 100 people engaged in some very good-natured bidding, while they enjoyed Matt Esty's music and refreshments prepared by Thatcher's.

"The success of the evening was a combination of the generous bidding, but also the number of local businesses who gave goods and services for us to offer for auction," said Alice Grover, cochair. She is already talking about next year's event!



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Leconte and Abe Kilborn as well as junior Kyle Nielsen and sophomore Dom Deluca.

Volleyball: Senior Stevi Michaud scored nine aces and won 23 points while serving in an October 14 win (3-0) over North Yarmouth Academy. Senior Molly Lortie added 14 serve-points with three aces. On October 6, the Rams faced Scarborough and played one of their most competitive matches of the season, taking Scarborough to five games. Seniors Annie Mitchell, Hallie Balcomb, and Lortie, as well as Michaud all had strong serving

performances while senior Hannah Shorty was the team's top passer. Mitchell led the team with 20 hitting attempts and five kills while senior Casey Galipeau and Shorty added five kills each.

Golf: Senior Tommy Stirling finished second in the SMAA (Western Maine Class A) state individual qualifying golf tournament October 5 on the Tomahawk course at Natanis Golf Course in Vassalboro. Stirling shot a 73 to tie for second and then earned sole possession of second-place by winning on the first sudden-death playoff hole. Stirling also competed in the state individual tournament October 17 but did not fare as well. During the regular season, the team was also led by junior Mike Arsenault, who averaged 39 strokes per nine holes and earned 14.5 out of a possible 20 match points.







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of interest

Cheverus High School honored **Meegan Daigler** of Gorham with the following awards at its Undergraduate Awards
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Book Prize, and Undergraduate of the Year Award.

Ashley Seiler (GHS '06), graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as Operation Warrior Forge, at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash. Seiler, a student at the University of Richmond, Va. is the daughter of Jay Seiler and Linda Nichols of Gorham.

The following Gorham High School drama students earned superior ratings for their outstanding performances at the Maine Educational Theatre Conference held recently at the University of Southern Maine. Students earning top honors were Jason Badeau, Nathaniel Dombek, Stefanie Farrington, Ian Hawkes, Molly Lortie, Nick Reynolds, Alyssa Rojecki and Molly Stewart. They have each earned the opportunity to be entered into the National Individual Events Showcase at the International Thespian Festival in Lincoln, Nebraska this coming June.

Sarah Morrow (GHS '00) will appear as Ruth Putnam in Boston Opera Collaborative's production of Robert Ward's Pulitzer Prize-winning opera The Crucible, November 14, 19, and 21 at 7:30 pm. Performances will be conducted by Adam Boyels and held at Church of the Covenant, 67 Newbury St, Boston, MA. Roxanna Myhrum directs. FMI, www.bostonoperacollaborative.org, (617) 517-5883.

Jazzy Blu Concert on Friday, Oct 30, 6:30-8 p.m. Performed by Mara at 4 Glenwood Avenue. \$5 donation to benefit Parents with Parkinson's and Dementia. Costumes a must! Goodies provided! FMI, 650-6484.

Grab your sneakers and a friend and join the walk/run to raise funds for the Porter family, Saturday Nov. 14, 9 a.m. 5.5 miles rain or shine. The unfortunate events that Alan Porter has faced with his stroke could happen to anyone. Let's band together and pay it forward for a Gorham family that deserves our support. If you are interested in walking or making a donation please contact Angela Davis angiemd00@yahoo.com 632-3618 or Beth Greatorex bgreato1@maine.rr.com 839-2859.

Fill That Bus Concert. LifeChurch kicks off their Fill That Bus food drive with a concert featuring two bands, Salvation's House and Refuge, on Nov. 7, 6-9 p.m. at 8 Elkins Rd, Gorham. Admission is one



Hannah Leigh Schulz (GHS '99) and Chad Reno Sirois were married August 22, 2009 at the First Parish Congregational UCC of Gorham. A reception at the bride's family homestead in Bar Mills was followed by a honeymoon trip to Cabo San Lucas. The couple resides in Gorham.

bag of non-perishable food items which will go to the Gorham Food Pantry.

Gorham/Westbrook TRIAD, a community collaboration between area seniors, law enforcement and community agencies will meet Friday, Nov. 13 from 9-10 a.m. at the Gorham Municipal Center. FMI, Officer Ted Hatch 839-5581 or Officer Christine LaBranche 854-2531.

This is the last week (through Nov. 8) to view the works of Jennilie Brewster and Honour Mack in an exhibit titled Horizon – Poetics of the Post-Heroic Landscape, at the USM Art Gallery in Gorham. Free and open to the public. FMI, 780-5008 or www.usm.maine.edu/gallery.

The 2nd Annual Community Swap & Shop at Narragansett School Gym will take place on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 am–1 pm. Shop for gently used winter clothing for children. (Donations may be dropped off at Narragansett, White Rock and Village Schools.) FMI, alandry6@maine.rr.com.

Gorham Business & Civic Exchange presents "Public Relations for Small Business." Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2009 from 7:30-9 a.m. in the community room at Moody's Collision Center, 200 Narragansett St., Gorham. Catered breakfast. GBCE Members - \$15. Guests - \$25. To register or FMI: www.gorhambusiness.org

3rd Annual Haunted House at First Parish Congregational Church in Gorham, Friday, Oct. 30 from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 31 from 8-11 p.m. Donations \$3/\$2. Children under 10 must be accompanied by adult. Proceeds used to send teens on missions.

The Gorham High School Softball team will host their Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, Nov 14 at Narragansett School from 9-3 p.m. If interested in renting a table, please contact Robin Arsenault at 839-2990 or Pete Walker at 839-2429.

Gorham High School presents William Shakespeare's cross-dressing comedy, *Twelfth Night*, November 6-14, 2009, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm and on Sunday matinee on November 8 at 2 pm. Admission is \$6 for General Admission and \$4 for students. Tickets will be available at the door.

save the date

Home for the Holidays Christmas Fair, Saturday, Nov. 14. St. Anne's Church, Gorham.

Holiday Open House at Tinsel Bright Nov. 13, 14 & 15.Refreshment and merriment.

close to home

The Buxton Garden Club invites you to "A Thanksgiving Celebration of Friends, Flowers, Food and Fun," on Thursday, Nov. 12, 7 p.m. at the Groveville Fire Barn in Buxton. Floral designer, Dwayne Harris of Blossoms of Windham, will create floral bouquets. FMI, 929-3401 or buxtongc@yahoo.com.

The USM Area Gallery in Portland will host a traveling exhibition of photographs by Bert Lincoln Call accompanied by quotes from Henry David Thoreau's book "The Maine Woods." Nov. 5 – Dec. 11. A free gallery talk by Dexter Historical Society Curator Frank Spizuoco and James E. Francis, Tribal Historian for the Penobscot Nation, will take place in the Gallery at 12 noon, Friday, Nov 13. FMI, 780-5008.

Prides Corner Church in Westbrook will hold their Annual Chicken Pie Supper on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 5-6:30 p.m. \$8.50 FMI, 854-2041.

Gorham Art Fair

A celebration of community and the arts Gorham Times Staff

n Nov. 7, a wide variety of talented local artisans will gather at the Shaw Gymnasium inside the Gorham Municipal Center to display and sell their work in time for the holidays.

Now in its third year, the Art Fair hosts activities for folks of all ages. In addition to dozens of art vendors, attendees can look forward to enjoying live local music, storytellers, an all-ages art making area, a bake sale and a traditional American cookout.

Donations of artwork of all types are being accepted now, and will be presented at a silent auction. All proceeds raised at the silent action are to benefit The Gorham Food Pantry, and if you'd like to donate artwork, please contact Carson Lynch at the Gorham Grind. Admission is free for this family-friendly event.

what's happening

FRIDAY, OCT. 30

- The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee musical comedy, Corthell Hall, Gorham Campus. 8 p.m. \$15/\$10/\$5. FMI, 780-5555.
- 3rd Annual Haunted House at First Parish, 1 Church Street, Gorham. 7-10 p.m. Donations \$3/\$2. Under 10 must be accompanied by adult.
- Conferences for grades K-5.

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WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

■ PIE Meeting, GHS Library, 6:30–7:30 p.m., FMI, 222-1100.

THURSDAY, NOV. 5

- Community Meal at the UCC Westbrook-Warren Congregational Church (810 Main St) at noon. For residents of any age and from any community. \$4 pp.
- Basket Making Workshop, 2:30–4 p.m., Baxter Memorial Library. Recommended for students in grades 6-8. Pre-registration required and supplies are provided. FMI, 839-5031.
- Musical Guest Jon Shain returns to the Pinecrest Bed & Breakfast Inn for his CD release party, 7:30 p.m. FMI, matt@pinecrestmaine.com.

FRIDAY, NOV. 6

- Craft and Chat Group, 9:30-11 a.m., Baxter Memorial Library. Bring your sewing, knitting, scrapbooking, etc. Make new friends. FMI, 222-2532.
- Picture retake day for GHS.
- GHS presents William Shakespeare's, Twelfth Night, GHS Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7

- All-You-Can-Eat Baked Bean Supper, White Rock Community Club, Wilson Road (off Rt 237 in Gorham), 4:30-6 p.m. \$7/\$3. FMI, 892-4442.
- The 2nd Annual Community Swap & Shop at Narragansett School Gym, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Shop for gently used winter clothing for children. FMI, alandry6@maine.rr.com.
- All-day Gorham Art Fair featuring artisans and crafters from Gorham and surrounding communities, Shaw Gymnasium, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free and

The Gorham Ecumenical Food Pantry is open every Thurs. at St. Anne's Church from 9-11 a.m. and the second Wednesday of each month from 5:30-7 p.m. Open to anyone in need of food from Gorham. Located in the building behind St. Anne's Church.

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MONDAY, NOV. 9

■ The Maine Orchid Society will meet at St Anne's Catholic Church in Gorham, 7 p.m. FMI, 883-2771 or www.maineorchidsociety.org

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

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- Business," 7:30-9 a.m., Moody's Collision Center Conference Room, 200 Narragansett St. GBCE Members -\$15. Guests - \$25. FMI, www.gorhambusiness.org
- GHS Chamber Singers Talent Show, 7 p.m., at GHS

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

- Town Offices and Library closed
- Veteran's Day. No school for grades K-12.

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Mary and James contributed countless hours of time and talent serving the Gorham Business & Civic Exchange and the Town of Gorham.

Thank you, Mary and James. We'll miss you!



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Two callers from Ward's Hill Road reported their houses had been broken into.

Brookwood Drive caller reported that their former spouse had stolen a firearm from them.

Shaw's Mill Road caller requested to speak with an officer regarding crime classifications.

Caller reported a vehicle was parked beside an abandoned gas station; a male was hitchhiking and a woman was walking in the road.

Mighty Street caller reported their residence had been broken into and jewelry had been taken.

Preble Street caller reported there was a fight going on in the road involving approximately twenty people.

School Street caller reported that two males had pulled up in an unmarked car and stated they were "officers looking for college kids." Officer confirmed that they were USM Police.

Preble Street man was arrested for drinking in public.

Katahdin Drive caller reported they accidentally caught a skunk in their have-a-heart trap. They wanted to speak with the Animal Control Officer on how to safely release the animal. Caller was referred to the Maine Warden Service.

White Birch Lane caller received a call from an Asian-sounding male who stated they won a raffle that was filled out by their spouse. Caller said spouse had been deceased for two years.

Jonathan Road caller reported a vehicle had been parked at the end of the road. A man got out, urinated in the road and then got back in the car.

Wescott Road caller had a problem with neighbor's dog bothering their farm animals. They dealt with that problem for now but were concerned that it might happen again.

Buck Street man was arrested on a warrant for failing to pay a fine on a charge of allowing minors to possess/consume alcohol.

Ridgeway Avenue caller reported an incident that occurred in Boston but was continuing here in the form of text messages.

Ossipee Trail caller reported that someone had broken into their house and taken their checkbook.

Farrington Road caller requested to speak with an officer regarding who had the right of way in a roundabout.

George Street caller reported there were four-wheelers or a lawn mower being ridden out behind caller's house.

County Road caller reported a mini horse in the roadway.

Wolf River Run caller reported they came home to find their door had been kicked in.

County Road caller reported that there was a lot of yelling coming from the neighbor's house and they wanted it to stop.

Burnham Road caller reported that their wallet had been stolen from their vehicle two nights before.

Sunset Lane caller reported having some type of animal in her back yard that had damaged her back porch.

Ossipee Trail caller reported that their teenager was last seen leaving for school the previous day and had not been seen since.

Files Road caller requested to speak with an officer regarding the age at which a child can be left home alone without adult supervision.

Nonesuch Road caller requested to speak with an officer as they were concerned for welfare of all the animals at a local farm.

Narragansett Street caller requested to speak with the Animal Control Officer regarding their neighbor's dogs which had been using caller's yard to go to the bathroom.

Mosher Road caller requested to speak with an officer regarding a 28 year-old female family member who bought alcohol and gave it to 17 and 13 year-old teenagers.

Officer assisted lost subjects looking for Wells.

Brackett Road caller reported that their credit card was stolen and used.

Ash Drive caller requested to speak with an officer regarding an adult male subject in his 40's who had been making sexual statements on a chat site to caller's teenager.

Mercier Way caller reported a possible case of fraud by check from someone caller was dealing with on Craigslist.

Wescott Road caller reported an ongoing problem with people supplying caller's stepchild with alcohol.

Sunset Lane caller advised that the Animal Control Officer set a trap for an animal living in caller's storm drain. The bait was gone and the trap failed to catch the animal.

Gray Road caller reported suspicious activity in the area. Subject was looking for bottles.

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